



INDIANA PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS BOARD

MEMORANDUM

To: Members, Indiana Professional Standards Board Executive Committee

From: Joseph Weaver, Chair, Executive Committee

Date: January 23, 2001

Subject: Minutes of December 12, 2001, Executive Committee Meeting

Committee members present: Michael Horvath, John Marsteller, Anne Moudy, Joseph Weaver, Roy Weaver, and Steve Yager. Lee Slavinskis was unable to attend.

Staff in attendance: Gary Hancock, Robert Hill, Judy Miller, and Marie Theobald.

The Executive Committee of the Indiana Professional Standards Board (IPSB) was convened by the Chair, Joseph Weaver, at 10:18 AM in the conference room of the offices of the Indiana Professional Standards Board.

I. Steve Yager moved to approve the agenda. Anne Moudy seconded the motion.

The agenda was amended as follows:

Section VIII was added to include the title "*Comments*".

The agenda, as amended, was approved by acclamation.

II. The minutes from the November 27, 2001, meeting were amended as follows:

Section IV, after the words "*Dan Henkel*" the words "*and Christina Hale*" were added.

The minutes, as amended were approved by acclamation.

III. Comments from the Chair

1. John Marsteller asked for clarification over substitute reimbursement. Marie Theobald indicated that, budget permitting, the agency would be able to reimburse for substitutes until June 30, 2002, when changes would likely be required.
2. The Chair commented that he would like to see Board members give updates on the status of their committees as part of next full board meeting during the discussion session. Discussion was held over this idea.
3. Anne Moudy asked if the licensure framework was available at the IPSB web site. Marie Theobald indicated that Shawn Sriver is in the process of accomplishing this.
4. Various questions and issues about the role of the Board and the agency were discussed. The Chair and Marie Theobald agreed to jointly develop a communications plan for the Board and the agency.

IV) Comments from the Executive Director

1. Judy Miller updated the committee on the progress of the backmapping project. The schedule of orientation sessions was distributed.

The meeting was recessed at 11:44 AM

The meeting was reconvened at 12:17 PM

2. The affect of the hiring freeze upon the IPSB was discussed. Marie Theobald informed the committee that she had requested an exception to the hiring freeze to replace the director of legal affairs.
3. Marie Theobald informed the committee that the previous seven percent budget cut has been made permanent. Further, because of the State's severe budget constraints, an additional fifteen percent from the agency's budget will need to be eliminated.
4. Robert Hill discussed potential budget savings brought about by upgrading existing technology allowing greater cost efficiency.
5. The long-term affect of the state budget deficit upon IPSB programs was discussed.

6. Anne Moudy asked for information about each committee's expenditures so that committee chairs could work on reducing these costs. Roy Weaver asked about the possible savings of having some committee meetings by videoconference. Robert Hill agreed to provide a cost comparison between holding a meeting by videoconference versus meeting in person.

V) Issues concerns relating to the draft transition to teaching rule.

1. Draft version six of the transition to teaching rule was distributed. Roy Weaver spoke on the changes that were made in this version.
2. Anne Moudy moved to amended Section 3, Part 5 to include the words "by consortium" after the word "jointly". The motion was seconded by Steve Yager. The motion passed unanimously.
3. Roy Weaver moved to put this draft, as amended, before the full Board. John Marsteller seconded this motion. The motion passed unanimously.
4. The rules were suspended by unanimous consent to allow Jill Shedd representing the Indiana Association of Colleges of Teaching Education to speak. She indicated that the implementation of this rule was a concern to her organization.
5. Marie Theobald discussed the timeline for the promulgation of this rule.

VI) Comments

The relationship between the legislature and the Board were discussed. Several members of the committee expressed interest in directly lobbying the Legislature. Robert Hill agreed to research if State ethics guidelines permitted this.

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 2:45 p.m.